JOHN F. KENNEDY HIGH SCHOOL BANDS

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Dear Spring 2022 Parents & Guardians:

I am happy to inform you that the Bellmore-Merrick CHSD has given final approval for our scheduled trip to Orlando, FL this coming April 7-10, 2022l. We are extremely excited and grateful for the opportunity to resume these wonderful educational experiences for our programs. Please read the following packets carefully and review them with your child so that everyone understands the expectations of a trip of this magnitude. We have just about 80 students and while this trip is monumental to organize, I am excited to be giving these students something to look *forward* to.

Enclosed you will find two packets. **Packet A** is all materials that should be kept at home. Please read everything carefully, especially the letter from the Central Office about their opinion on purchasing travel insurance and instructions on how to do so. This option must be completed by 10/1. It is important to put the DATE of the check you are going to send now as the deposit date.

Packet B is what will be returned to your child's music teacher no later than Oct 1, 2021. Please note that a payment of \$600 is also needed on that day. This is a firm deadline set by the travel agency and the district. We must have an accurate count of who will be traveling by that day. If no check is turned in, your child will not be able to go on the trip. If your child is absent that day, the check must be turned in by noon that day regardless. If you and your family chooses not partake in the Spring Tour, please inform me no later than 10/1 and we will begin the process of refunding the \$75 hold. Checks should be made out to JFK Band. Checks will not be processed until the afternoon of 10/1 so please feel free to send it in advance. (The date of your check MUST match the Insurance Deposit Date)

Thank you so much for making the business aspects of this trip as smooth as possible. We will begin fundraising at the end of the month with mostly online fundraisers, chocolates sales, and fruit sales as we go forward through the year. If you have any questions at all please feel free to reach out to me via email or call my direct line at 516-992-1441.

Best Wishes,

Mr. Avellaneda

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